

CLAIMS

1. A phosphor of SiC excited by an external light source for emitting light, doped with N and at least one of B and Al.

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2. The phosphor of SiC according to claim 1, wherein both of the doping concentration with at least one of B and Al and the doping concentration with N are $10^{15}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{20}/\text{cm}^3$.

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3. The phosphor of SiC according to claim 2, wherein both of the doping concentration with at least one of B and Al and the doping concentration with N are $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{20}/\text{cm}^3$.

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4. The phosphor of SiC according to claim 1, emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 500 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 500 nm to 650 nm.

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5. The phosphor of SiC according to claim 4, wherein SiC is doped with N and B, the concentration of either N or B is $10^{15}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{18}/\text{cm}^3$, and the concentration of either B or N is $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$.

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6. The phosphor of SiC according to claim 1, emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 400 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 400 nm to 550 nm.

7. The phosphor of SiC according to claim 6, wherein SiC is doped with N and Al, the concentration of either N or Al is $10^{15}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{18}/\text{cm}^3$, and the concentration of either Al or N is $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$.

8. A method of manufacturing a phosphor of SiC excited by an external light source for emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 500 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 500 nm to 650 nm and doped with N and B so that the concentration of either N or B is $10^{15}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{18}/\text{cm}^3$ and the concentration of either B or N is $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$,

by forming an SiC crystal by sublimation recrystallization with a B source of LaB_6 , B_4C , TaB_2 , NbB_2 , ZrB_2 , HfB_2 , BN or carbon containing B.

9. A method of manufacturing a phosphor of SiC excited by an external light source for emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 500 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 500 nm to 650 nm and doped with N and B so that the concentration of either N or B is $10^{15}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{18}/\text{cm}^3$ and the concentration of either B or N is $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$,

by thermally diffusing a B source of simple B, LaB_6 , B_4C , TaB_2 , NbB_2 , ZrB_2 , HfB_2 or BN into SiC under a vacuum or an inert gas atmosphere at a temperature of at least 1500°C .

10. The method of manufacturing a phosphor of SiC according to claim 8 or 9, performing thermal annealing at a temperature of at least 1300°C for at least one hour after sublimation recrystallization or thermal diffusion.

11. The method of manufacturing a phosphor of SiC according to claim 9, removing a surface layer after thermal diffusion.

12. A substrate for a semiconductor consisting of a 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor excited by an external light source for emitting light and doped with N and at least one of B and Al.

13. The substrate for a semiconductor according to claim 12, consisting of a 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor doped with N and B for emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 500 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 500 nm to 650 nm.

14. The substrate for a semiconductor according to claim 12, consisting of a 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor doped with N and Al for emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 400 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 400 nm to 550 nm.

15. A method of manufacturing a substrate for a semiconductor consisting of a 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor excited by an external light source for emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 500 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 500 nm to 650 nm and doped with N and B so that the concentration of either N or B is $10^{15}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{18}/\text{cm}^3$ and the concentration of either B or N is $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$, comprising the steps of:

thermally diffusing a B source of simple B, LaB_6 , B_4C , TaB_2 , NbB_2 , ZrB_2 , HfB_2 or BN into SiC under a vacuum or an inert gas atmosphere at a temperature of at least 1500°C; and
removing a surface layer.

16. A method of manufacturing a substrate for a semiconductor consisting of a 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor excited by an external light source for emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 500 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 500 nm to 650 nm and doped with N and B so that the concentration of either N or B is $10^{15}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{18}/\text{cm}^3$ and the concentration of either B or N is $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$, wherein

atmosphere gas in crystal growth contains N₂ gas of 1 % to 30 % in gas partial pressure, and raw material SiC contains 0.05 mol % to 15 mol % of a B source, and an SiC crystal is formed by sublimation recrystallization.

5 17. The method of manufacturing a substrate for a semiconductor according to claim 15 or 16, performing thermal annealing at a temperature of at least 1300°C after sublimation recrystallization or thermal diffusion.

10 18. Powder for a semiconductor consisting of a 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor excited by an external light source for emitting fluorescence having a wavelength of 500 nm to 750 nm with a peak wavelength in the range of 500 nm to 650 nm, having a particle diameter of 2 μm to 10 μm and a central particle diameter of 3 μm to 6 μm.

15 19. A light-emitting diode comprising a substrate for a semiconductor consisting of a 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor doped with N and at least one of B and Al and a light-emitting device of a nitride semiconductor formed on said substrate.

20 20. A light-emitting diode having one or at least two layers consisting of a 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor doped with N and at least one of B and Al on a substrate of SiC for a semiconductor and comprising a light-emitting device of a nitride semiconductor on said 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor layer(s).

25 21. The light-emitting diode according to claim 19 or 20, wherein the emission wavelength of said light-emitting device of a nitride semiconductor is not more than 408 nm.

22. The light-emitting diode according to claim 19 or 20, wherein

both of the doping concentration with at least one of B and Al and the doping concentration with N in said 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor are $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$.

- 5 23. The light-emitting diode according to claim 22, wherein
both of the doping concentration with at least one of B and Al and the doping concentration with N in said 6H-SiC single-crystalline phosphor are $10^{17}/\text{cm}^3$ to $10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$.